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SUBJECT: ZANZIBAR DETAINEES RELEASED

- 1. GOZ JANUARY 16 ANNOUNCED RELEASE FROM "RE-EDUCATION CENTERS" (READ PRISON) OF 545 PERSONS HELD ON "VARIOUS CHARGES". THIS EXCEPTIONALLY LARGE NUMBER IS PROBABLY ACCOUNTED FOR, FOR MOST PART, BY RELEASE OF MANY WHO WERE DETAINED FOR SECURITY REASONS IN PERIOD JUST PRECEDING 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS. THREE OF THOSE RELEASED, HOWEVER, WERE FORMER MINISTERS OF THE PRE-REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT: SALIM KOMBO SALEH (HOME AND LEGAL AFFAIRS); ABADHAR JUMA KHATIB (AGRICULTURE); AND AHMAD ABDULRAHMAN BAALAWY (COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS, HEALTH AND WELFARE). ALL THREE FORMER MINISTERS HAD BEEN HELD IN ZANZIBAR AND, UPON RELEASE, WERE REPORTED BY RADIO ZANZIBAR TO HAVE PLEDGED TO "PUT THEIR MISDEEDS BEHIND THEM AND PARTICIPATE WITH ALL THEIR STRENGTH IN THE SERVICE OF THE COUNTRY." THERE IS NO INFORMATION AS TO THEIR PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION UPON RELEASE.
- 2. THERE IS AS YET NO WORD ON POSSIBLE RELEASE OF THREE OTHER FORMER MINISTERS BEING HELD ON MAINLAND, MAUILIDI MSCHANGAMA, JUMA ALEY ABRAWI, AND ALI MUHSIN, ALTHOUGH SPECULATION CONTINUES HERE THAT THEY WILL BE FREED BEFORE LONG. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONSULATE UNDERSTANDS THAT AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL HAS RENEWED

ITS EFFORTS TO SECURE THEIR RELEASE AND HAS MADE SOMETHING OF
A SPECIAL EXAMPLE OF FORMER EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND TRADE MINISTER
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